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## TWO MEXICAN NATIONALS SENTENCED FOR ILLEGAL REENTRY

## PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Carlos Martinez-Silva, 36, and Margarito Chiguil-Ceba, 27, both of Mexico, were sentenced in their separate cases to 48 months in prison and 24 months in prison, respectively, by U.S. District Judges Sarah Evans Barker and William T. Lawrence following guilty pleas to illegal reentry following deportation because of a conviction of an aggravated felony, announced Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana. These cases were the result of investigations by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Office, part of the Department of Homeland Security.

Martinez-Silva was found in the United States on April 27, 2010, following his arrest on a traffic stop for being an unlicensed driver by the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department. Martinez-Silva used the false name of Ruben Vasquez. Martinez-Silva had been convicted in 2000 for transporting narcotics in California, and this aggravated felony meant he could never again come to the United States. Martinez-Silva has been deported three times since his conviction--in 2000, 2001, and 2003, and has 12 other known entries into the United States for which he was caught and returned to Mexico at the border.

Chiguil-Ceba was found on March 26, 2010, at a residence in Indianapolis. Immigration officers determined he had a prior conviction in 2002 for child solicitation from Delaware County, Indiana, which meant he could never again be in the United States. Chiguil-Ceba was deported in 2003, and then again in 2006, after he was federally convicted of illegal reentry in Arizona.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the cases for the government, each defendant will be deported following their prison sentences.